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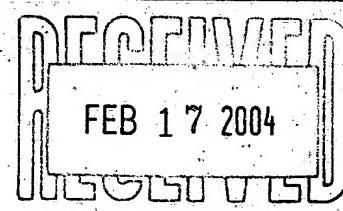
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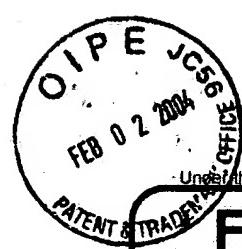
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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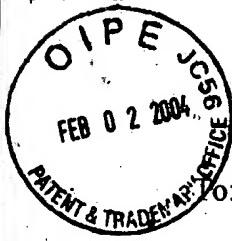
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Response to Office Action mailed 10/02/2003 concerning Elections/Restrictions.

Further to our telephone conversation, I hereby request a four month extension of time for filing this signed response, and enclose my check for \$740. I also enclose a signed copy of preliminary amendments to the claims and letter detailing those amendments.

Re Paragraph 1.

For prosecution on the merits, Applicant elects Species 2, an electronic keyboard with alternative option means to be used according to operator preference allowing at least two alternative options for conveniently touch-typing the identical characters.

Re Paragraph 2.

The following independent claims are readable on the elected Species 2 invention:

Claims 6, 26, and 43.

Claim 6 claims a keyboard having means for optional alternative methods of use, according to user preference. Claim 26 uses different language to claim one particular such means already covered by claim 6. Claim 43 claims the method of use of the keyboard of claim 6. Applicant therefore believes all three independent claims properly belong together in a single application for Species 2.

Re Paragraph 3.

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In accordance with our previous telephone conversation, please find attached:

Copy of amendment filed for related international application, comprising:

Letter Detailing Amendments to Claims (1 page)

Amended claims 1 - 46, (11 independent claims) (5 pages)

When printed on A4, the amendment includes sheets 16, 17, 18, 19 and 19/1, replacing original sheets 16, 17, 18 and 19.

The international preliminary examination will start on the basis of these amended claims, with description and drawing as originally filed.

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